

9. (a) Discuss the properties of one dimensional Green's function.
- (b) Determine the Green's function associated with the boundary value problem $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = f(x)$, where, $f(x)$ is a known function any $y(0) = 0$ and $y'(1) = 0$
10. Write a note on the Poisson's distribution and determine its first four moments.



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MPH11 – MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS – I

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

SECTION A — (5 × 6 = 30 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

1. (a) Define a linear vector space. Explain how the set of all complex numbers forms a linear vector space over a complex field.

Or

- (b) (i) Define Hermitian and Skew – Hermitian matrices with examples and
- (ii) Show that the diagonal elements of a Skew – Hermitian are either zero or pure imaginary number.

2. (a) Define the Kronecker delta symbol and discuss its properties.

Or

- (b) With an example, explain the contraction of tensors.

3. (a) Define Wronskian and prove that Wronskian of a general second order linear differential equation is identically zero inside the chosen interval or not zero at any point in that interval.

Or

- (b) Obtain the generating function of Laguerre Polynomial.
4. (a) Discuss the properties of one dimensional Green's function.

Or

- (b) Determine the Green's function associated with $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + \omega^2 y = f(x)$, where, $f(x)$ is a known function and $y(0) = 0$ and $y(L) = 0$.
5. (a) Give an account on the Binomial distribution and determine its first moment.

Or

- (b) Discuss the properties of normal curve.

SECTION B — (3 × 15 = 45 marks)

Answer any THREE questions.

6. (a) What are unitary matrices? Prove that
- (i) the determinant of a unitary matrix can only have values +1 or -1 and
 - (ii) the products of unitary matrices are also unitary.
- (b) Define the inner product of two tensors and thereby state and prove the Schwartz inequality.
7. (a) Define the Levi - Civita symbol ϵ_{ijk} and prove that
- (i) $A_{il} A_{jm} A_{kn} \epsilon_{lmn} = \epsilon_{ijk} \det A_{ij}$
 - (ii) where, A_{ij} is any 3×3 matrix.
- (b) What are invariant tensors? Prove that Kronecker delta is an invariant mixed tensor of rank two.
8. Establish the recurrence formulae of Legendre polynomials.